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ACADEMIC POSITIONS

2026– HSBC Research Professor in Economics, Northwestern University
2026– Associate Professor of Economics (with tenure), Weinberg College of Arts & Sciences
2026– Associate Professor of Strategy (secondary), Kellogg School of Management

ACADEMIC AND PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

2019– Faculty Fellow, Institute for Policy Research, Northwestern University
2019– Faculty Research Fellow, Health Care, NBER
2018–2020, Visiting Scholar, Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago
2022–2027

PREVIOUS ACADEMIC AND VISITING POSITIONS

2019–2026 Assistant Professor of Economics, Northwestern University
2019–2026 Assistant Professor of Strategy, Kellogg School of Management
2022, 2026 Visiting Scholar (summer), University of Zurich
2024 Saieh Family Fellow, Becker Friedman Institute, University of Chicago
2024 Visiting Scholar (summer), Center for Economic Studies (CES), LMU Munich
2018–2019 Postdoctoral Fellow, SIEPR, Stanford University

EDUCATION

2018	Ph.D. in Economics	Princeton University
2014	M.A. in Economics	Princeton University
2011	B.S./B.A. in Mathematics, Economics, and Statistics	University of Chicago

WORKING PAPERS

“Drivers of Racial Differences in C-Sections” with Adriana Corredor-Waldron and Janet Currie
NBER Working Paper No. 32891
Revise and resubmit, *American Economic Review*

“The Expansionary and Contractionary Supply-Side Effects of Health Insurance” with Eilidh Geddes
NBER Working Paper No. 31483
Reject and resubmit, *American Economic Review*

“The Effects of Competition on Physician Prescribing” with Janet Currie and Anran Li
NBER Working Paper No. 30889
Revise and resubmit, *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*

“Selection into Medicine” with Diane Alexander
NBER Working Paper No. 35631

“Quality in the Generic Drug Market” with Emily Cuddy

JOURNAL ARTICLES

Schnell, M. 2026. “Physician Behavior in the Presence of a Secondary Market: The Case of Prescription Opioids.” *Econometrica*, 94(5): 1489–1528. (Lead article)

Cabral, M., B. Kim, M. Rossin-Slater, M. Schnell, and H. Schwandt. 2026. “Trauma at School: The Impacts of Shootings on Students’ Human Capital and Economic Outcomes.” *Review of Economic Studies*, 93: 327–365.

Alexander, D. and M. Schnell. 2024. “The Impacts of Physician Payments on Patient Access, Use, and Health.” *American Economic Journal: Applied Economics*, 16(3): 142–177.

Pienkny, M., M. Rossin-Slater, M. Schnell, and H. Schwandt. 2024. “The Lasting Impacts of School Shootings on Youth Psychotropic Drug Use.” *AEA Papers and Proceedings*, 114: 387–393.

Staiger, B., A. Li, D. Alexander, and M. Schnell. 2022. “Enrollment Brokers Did Not Increase Medicaid Enrollment, 2008–18.” *Health Affairs*, 41(9): 1333–1341.

Currie, J., M. Schnell, H. Schwandt, and J. Zhang. 2021. “Prescribing of Opioid Analgesics and Buprenorphine for Opioid Use Disorder During the COVID-19 Pandemic.” *JAMA Network Open*.

Rossin-Slater, M., M. Schnell, H. Schwandt, S. Trejo, and L. Uniat. 2020. “Local Exposure to School Shootings and Youth Antidepressant Use.” *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, 117(38).

Alexander, D., J. Currie, and M. Schnell. 2019. “Check Up Before You Check Out: The Impact of Retail Clinic Expansion on Emergency Room Use.” *Journal of Public Economics*, 178: 104050.

Allcott, H., R. Diamond, J.-P. Dubé, J. Handbury, I. Rahkovsky, and M. Schnell. 2019. “Food Deserts and the Causes of Nutritional Inequality.” *Quarterly Journal of Economics*, 134(4): 1793–1844.

Alexander, D. and M. Schnell. 2019. “Just What the Nurse Practitioner Ordered: Independent Prescriptive Authority and Population Mental Health.” *Journal of Health Economics*, 66: 145–162.

Currie, J., J. Jin, and M. Schnell. 2019. “U.S. Employment and Opioids: Is There a Connection?” in *Health and Labor Markets (Research in Labor Economics, Volume 47)*. Emerald Publishing Limited.

Schnell, M. and J. Currie. 2018. “Addressing the Opioid Epidemic: Is There a Role for Physician Education?” *American Journal of Health Economics*, 4(3): 383–410.

OTHER WRITING

Rossin-Slater, M., M. Schnell, and H. Schwandt. “When School Shooting Headlines Fade, the Trauma Doesn’t.” *The Boston Globe*, December 2025.

Cabral, M., B. Kim, M. Rossin-Slater, M. Schnell, and H. Schwandt. “The Lasting Consequences of School Shootings on the Students Who Survive Them.” *The Conversation*, May 2022.

Currie, J., M. Schnell, H. Schwandt, and J. Zhang. “Trends in Drug Overdose Mortality in Ohio During the First 7 Months of the COVID-19 Pandemic.” *JAMA Network Open* (Research Letter), 2021.

Allcott, H., J.-P. Dubé, and M. Schnell. “Eliminating Food Deserts Won’t Help Poorer Americans Eat Healthier.” *The Conversation*, December 2019.

M. Schnell. “The Opioid Crisis: Tragedy, Treatments, and Trade-offs.” *SIEPR Policy Brief*, 2019.

Doleac, J., A. Mukherjee, and M. Schnell. “Research Roundup: What Does the Evidence Say About How

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to Fight the Opioid Epidemic?” *Brookings Institute*, December 2018.

Currie, J. and M. Schnell. 2018. “A Closer Look at How the Opioid Epidemic Affects Employment.” *Harvard Business Review*, August 2018.

Schnell, M. and D. Weinstein. “Evaluating the Economic Response to Japan's Earthquake.” *RIETI Policy Discussion Paper Series*, February 2012.

RESEARCH GRANTS

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| 2025–2030 | R01NR021993, \$3,886,209
PI: Chen; Co-Is: Freedman, Grady, Khan, Miller, Schnell
“ <i>Effects of a Short-Term Rent Subsidy to Prevent Housing Instability on Cardiovascular Health Outcomes</i> ” |
| 2025–2029 | R01HD114558, \$2,138,141
PI: Schnell ; Co-Is: Cabral, Kim, Rodriguez, Rossin-Slater, Sabety, Schwandt
“ <i>Understanding the Short- and Long-Term Impacts of School-Based Health Centers</i> ” |
| 2020–2024 | R01HD102378, \$1,137,470
PI: Rossin-Slater; Co-Is: Cabral, Carrion, Schnell , Schwandt
“ <i>Understanding the Short- and Long-Term Impacts of Childhood Exposure to Violence: Evidence from School Shootings</i> ” |
| 2018 | Center Grant Pilot Award, NBER Center for Aging and Health Research |

FELLOWSHIPS, HONORS, AND AWARDS

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| 2025 | Excellence in Reviewing Award, <i>American Economic Journal: Applied Economics</i> |
| 2018 | <i>Review of Economic Studies</i> Tour |
| 2017–2018 | Health Economics Fellow, Becker Friedman Institute, University of Chicago |
| 2016–2018 | Fellowship of Woodrow Wilson Scholars, Princeton University |
| 2016 | Towbes Prize for Outstanding Teaching, Princeton University |
| 2011 | David S. Hu Award for Excellence in Economics (honors thesis award), Department of Economics, University of Chicago |

KEYNOTE LECTURES

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| 2026 | American European Health Economics Study Group (Berlin, Germany) |
| 2025 | Economics of Mental Health Workshop (Charlottesville, VA) |
| 2025 | Kansas Health Economics Conference (Lawrence, KS) |
| 2024 | University of Texas at San Antonio Area Health Workshop (San Antonio, TX) |
| 2023 | Hamburg Center for Health Economics Center Day (Hamburg, Germany) |
| 2019 | Empirics and Methods in Economics Conference (Chicago, IL) |

INVITED SEMINARS AND CONFERENCE PRESENTATIONS (including scheduled*)

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| 2027 | UCLA*, Wharton*, University of Copenhagen* |
| 2026 | Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, Junior(ish) Health Economics Summit, Princeton, Olin Business School, Indiana University, Kelley School of Business, University of Zurich |

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- 2025 NYU Stern, Institute for Policy Research (Northwestern), Northwestern OB/GYN Grand Rounds, IFS-LSE-UCL Workshop on Public Economics, Duke, Yale, Johns Hopkins, Christmas Meetings of German Economists Abroad
- 2024 American Economic Association Annual Meeting, Harris Health Economics Workshop, Emory, Georgia Institute of Technology, University of Georgia, University of California San Diego, Pontificia Universidad Católica de Chile, Saieh Fellows Seminar, Booth Research Brown Bag, Booth Microeconomics Workshop, BFI Health Economics Initiative Annual Conference, London School of Economics, Amsterdam School of Economics, German Health Economics Association, CESifo Area Conference on Labor Economics, NBER Summer Institute (Health), Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, Federal Reserve Bank of Cleveland
- 2023 Booth Healthcare Initiative, Wisconsin School of Business, Marquette University, University of British Columbia, University of California–Davis, NBER Summer Institute (Health), Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco Micro and Macro Labor Economics Conference
- 2022 University of Duisburg-Essen, Institute for Policy Research (Northwestern), Kansas State University, University of Illinois Chicago, Dartmouth, BFI Women in Empirical Microeconomics Conference, Notre Dame, Gies College of Business, Federal Reserve Board, University of Michigan, Northwestern Pritzker School of Law
- 2021 Cambridge Healthcare/Education/Labour Markets Mini Conference, Berlin Applied Micro Seminar, BU/Duke Empirical Health Law Conference, NBER Summer Institute (Education), Monash Business School, Northwestern Feinberg Institute for Public Health and Medicine, University of St Andrews
Cancelled due to COVID-19: Christmas Meetings of German Economists Abroad
- 2020 Institute for Policy Research (Northwestern), University of Wisconsin–Milwaukee, University of Kansas, Northwestern Pritzker School of Law, American Society of Health Economists Annual Conference, Berkeley Haas, Johns Hopkins
Cancelled due to COVID-19: ASU Annual Empirical Microeconomics Conference, BFI Health Economics Initiative Annual Conference
- 2019 Junior(ish) Health Economics Summit, Simon Fraser University Beedie School of Business, University of Maryland, Department of Justice Antitrust Division, Bates White Academic Seminar Series, Berkeley, Federal Trade Commission, NYU Stern, BU/MIT/Harvard Health Economics Seminar, Brown, Society of Labor Economists Annual Meeting, Montreal IO Conference, American Society of Health Economists Annual Conference, International Health Economics Association Annual Congress, Indiana University, Olin Business School, Bureau of Economic Analysis, Ohio State University, ITAM Business School, Banco de Mexico, NBER Health Care Meeting, University of Minnesota
- 2018 New York University, University of Pennsylvania, Yale, Yale School of Management, Harvard Business School, London School of Economics, University College London, Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Columbia, University of Chicago, Booth School of Business, Northwestern, Kellogg School of Management, Dartmouth, Stanford Graduate School of Business, The Wharton School, Bocconi, University of Zurich, University of Wisconsin–Madison, Microsoft Research, Tulane Health Economics Mini Conference, REStud Tour (Queen Mary, CERGE-EI, University of Copenhagen), American Society of Health Economists Annual Conference, NBER Summer Institute (Health Care), SIEPR

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- Postdoctoral Fellows Conference, University of California Santa Barbara, Stanford, Texas
A&M, Harvard, Hamburg Center for Health Economics, Christmas Meetings of German
Economists Abroad
- 2017 CEPR School on Applied IO, Barcelona GSE Summer Forum (Applied IO,
Health Policy), Highland Health Economics Symposium, European Association of Labour
Economists Annual Conference, Becker Friedman Institute Emerging Scholars
Roundtable, Tel Aviv University, Hebrew University, Johns Hopkins University Center for
Innovative Medicine, Duke Fuqua, University of Minnesota School of Public Health
- 2016 Society of Labor Economists Annual Meeting, American Society of Health Economists
Biennial Conference, European Conference on Health Economics, Robert Wood Johnson
Healthy Food Financing Initiative Meeting, BU Population Health Science Research
Workshop, Becker Friedman Institute Emerging Scholars Roundtable
- 2015 NBER Summer Institute

TEACHING EXPERIENCE

- 2020–2023, *Graduate Health Economics*, Econ 436-2, Northwestern University
2025–2027
- 2025 *Economics of Medical Care*, Econ 307, Northwestern University
- 2020 *The Economics of Health Care* (Mini-Course), Ruhr Graduate School in Economics

Guest Lectures

- 2020–2024 “Opioids and Public Policy” in *Economics of Health, Human Capital, and Happiness*
(Undergraduate), Northwestern University
- 2021 “The Opioid Crisis” in *Health Care Systems* (Undergraduate), The Wharton School
- 2019 “Opioids and Public Policy” in *Economics of Medical Care* (Undergraduate),
Northwestern University
- 2016–2018 “Physician Behavior” in *Economics of Health and Wellbeing* (Graduate), University of
Zurich

GRADUATE STUDENT ADVISING (committee member)

- 2023 Eilidh Geddes (Assistant Professor, University of Georgia)
- 2023 Nicole Holz (Data Scientist, Walmart)
- 2023 Valentyn Litvin (Postdoctoral Researcher, University of Montreal)
- 2023 Aleksandra Paluszynska (Economist, Amazon)
- 2024 Yoshimasa Katayama (Assistant Professor, Kobe University)
- 2024 Anran Li (Assistant Professor, Cornell University)
- 2025 Hyein Cho (Associate, Cornerstone Research)
- 2025 Anastasiia Evdokimova (Postdoctoral Researcher, Yale University)
- 2025 Giovanni Pisauro (Associate, Cornerstone Research)
- 2026 Radhika Ramakrishnan (Associate, Cornerstone Research)
- 2026 Zincy Wei (Economist, Apple Inc.)
- 2027 Tessa Bonomo
- 2027 Lydia (Jiarui) Cao
- 2027 Max Pienkny
- 2028 Rosario Cisternas

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2028 Kazuaki Sano
2028 Siqui Xue
2029 Charles Hanzel
2029 Sungjin Kim
2029 Hellary Zhang

PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

Referee: *Agricultural Economics, AEJ: Applied Economics, AEJ: Economic Policy, AEJ: Microeconomics, American Economic Review, AER: Insights, American Journal of Health Economics, Econometrica, Economic Journal, Economics Letters, Empirical Economics, Health Affairs, Health Economics, International Economic Review, International Journal of Health Economics and Management, Journal of General Internal Medicine, Journal of Health Economics, Journal of Human Resources, Journal of Law and Economics, Journal of Policy Analysis and Management, Journal of Political Economy, JPE: Microeconomics, Journal of Labor Economics, Journal of Population Economics, Journal of Public Economics, Journal of the European Economic Association, Journal of Urban Economics, Management Science, Pediatrics, Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, Quarterly Journal of Economics, Review of Economics and Statistics, Review of Economic Studies*

Grant review: European Research Council
 National Science Foundation
 Russell Sage Foundation
 Marianne and Marcus Wallenberg Foundation

Discussant: American Economic Association Annual Meeting (2020, 2021, 2024)
 American Society of Health Economists Annual Conference (2016, 2020, 2021)
 BU Population Health Science Research Workshop (2017)

Organizer: Health, Education, Labor, Public (“HELP”) Seminar, Northwestern University, 2021–
 Women in Empirical Microeconomics Conference, Becker Friedman Institute,
 University of Chicago (2023)

Committee: BU Population Health Science Research Workshop (2017, 2018)
 American Society of Health Economists Annual Conference (Program Chair for
 Physician and Nurse Training and Reimbursement, 2022)
 Econometric Society, North American Winter Meeting (Program Committee member
 for *Public/Health*, 2024)
 NBER Summer Institute, Economics of Health (Review Committee member, 2026)

Policy: Speaker, National Association of Medicaid Directors (NAMD) Forum, 2025
 Attendee, Arnold Ventures BRIDGE Event *Scaling Access to Mental Healthcare*, 2025

Data access: U.S. Census Bureau Special Sworn Status

PERSONAL

Married, three children (2020, 2023, 2026)